

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 655

By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Erin Ashley Elliott, 2002
Co-Salutatorian of Portland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Miss Erin Ashley Elliott is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Salutatorian of the 2002 graduating class at Portland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Erin has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 unweighted Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, due to her outstanding commitment to academic excellence, Miss Elliott has earned numerous honors and awards, including the Gold Key, the English Departmental Award and the Honors Psychology Award; and

WHEREAS, a multi-talented individual, Erin possesses tremendous athletic skill as she has participated on the track and golf teams; Miss Elliott has also been an active member of the cheerleading squad and the manager of the soccer team; and

WHEREAS, highly respected as a leader among her peers, Miss Elliott has served as President and Vice President of the Student Council and as Treasurer of her class; Erin also has served as a Tennessee Girls' State Delegate, a SCOPE Delegate and as a HOBY Leadership Seminar Ambassador; and

WHEREAS, she is active in numerous scholastic organizations, including the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Future Business Leaders of America, the National Beta Club, the Academic Team, National Honor Society, National Council for the Social Studies and the Yearbook Staff; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her community, Erin participates in numerous community service organizations, including the Men and Women's Union Mission and the CARES Christmas Breakfast; and

WHEREAS, a young lady of impeccable character, Miss Elliott has participated in numerous mission trips and service projects; and

WHEREAS, Erin Ashley Elliott's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she plans to attend the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Erin's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Timothy and Cheryl Elliott, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Elliott's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Portland High School Co-Salutatorian, Erin Ashley Elliott, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.